

Mrs. J. R. Leake is a guest of homefolks at Hunnewell.

Mrs. Homer Harrison and children spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents at Hunnewell.

Mrs. S. B. Bowers went to Berksville Saturday to visit her father.

Iva and Dorothy Biddleston, of Woodland, returned home Saturday after a visit here with Miss Carolyn Jackson.

Misses Lucile, Lucy, Edna Saunders and Ernest Saunders spent the week-end with their parents at Lakenan.

"Why Mabel," the young lady exclaimed, "aren't you ashamed of yourself? Get right down."

"Shan't do it," retorted the child. "I got here first."

Mrs. A. Smith of Ely was a business visitor here Saturday.

Herman and Harry Robison, of Holdsworth came Saturday to visit Geo. L. Robison and family.

Miss Georgia Stepenson, who is attending Gen City Business College at Quincy is a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Johnson.

Mrs. Vada Lorenty, of Shelbyville was in this city Saturday enroute to her home after a visit with relatives and friends at Holiday.

D. M. Buick, who lives near Paris is soon to build a fish pond on his farm. It will be 80 by 200 feet in size and will be stocked with carp and bass.

Rev. Colburn, of Stoutsville, closed a very successful meeting at the Baptist Church in Hunnewell Sunday evening.

Mrs. L. G. Abel accompanied her daughter Miss Thelma to St. Louis Saturday Morning. Miss Thelma is receiving instruction in a school for the blind at that place. She came home for the Christmas holidays but owing to sickness is just now able to return to school.

Mrs. Henry Durst and daughter, Mayne of Ely were shopping here Saturday.

Dr. Roy Buell, of Vandalia was here the last of the week on business.

Miss Lucy Kern, who teaches at Ely spent Saturday and Sunday with homefolks.

Mrs. Loua Lach, of St. Louis is the guest of homefolks.

Three progressive farmers living near New London are wiring their homes for electric lights and have made arrangements with the North Missouri Light & Power Co. to extend its lines to their farms.

G. A. Keller, of Palmyra, last week shipped a fine Jersey bull to a St. Louis buyer and received \$500 for the animal. He was a son of Fern Noble, an animal, which sold recently at Shelbyville, Ky., for \$25,000.

R. A. Mayes a prominent farmer residing at Prairie View, near Hunnewell, died at his home Thursday morning of a complication of diseases.

Collector Mac Bain of Shelby County in his report for December showed that \$86,896.58 had been collected by him during that month.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gottman of near Warren left Saturday for their new home at Queen City.

Mrs. Cora Umstadt of Macon is the guest of friends here.

Miss Loretta Whiston of Woodland was a visitor here Saturday.

Miss Mattie Bess Shearman, who teaches school at Macon, spent Saturday and Sunday with homefolks.

R. A. Graham of Perry was a visitor in this city Sunday.

Appendix or Gizzard?

The appendix of Frank Winkler, aged 18, was taken from him at Mercy hospital in Council Bluffs recently and was pronounced a prize specimen by the operating physician, who found the organ filled with shot. It contained eleven leaden pellets. At regular intervals during the past several weeks Winkler's table has been laden with rabbit and the boy in particular has a fondness for rabbit meat. It is believed that the shot found in the appendix came from the swallowed meat in which they were imbedded.—Gorin Graphic.

Government Costs \$31 Per Head

We are glad that Champ Clark has raised his voice against Congressional waste. Our national legislature is the most extravagant body on earth. It does not look upon a million dollars as big enough for pocket change. It makes the per capita cost of our government more than \$31 per head. This means we must pay higher prices for everything we use and must maintain a Republican tariff in order to get money with which to meet our bills. Unless the Democrats cut down the appropriation bills the people are going to cut down the number of Democratic Congressmen until only a corporal's guard is left. And that's what they ought to do. We hope Speaker Clark's economy appeal will get results.—Appeal.

Sometimes the idea is extant among merchants that they must advertise to help the home paper. That is wrong. The only reason for a merchant advertising is that it helps himself. It is not a question of whether you like the editor or not; it is a business proposition. You need the business the advertisement draws. Advertise for your own benefit and not that of the newspaper.—La Plata Republic.

In Chicago last week anthracite coal retailed at \$15 per ton, eggs 65¢ per dozen and potatoes \$2.40 to \$2.60 per bushel. Going up!

Man in Cold Storage Shoots Burglar

Over in St. Louis Saturday evening a couple of burglars entered a butcher shop and shot the owner in the face while they proceeded to relieve the cash register of its contents. However, Mr. Butcher's plan of preparedness worked well this time when he picked up his old trusty shot-gun, which he had placed in the ice box just for such an event as this brought down one of the trespassers and gave other one the scare of his life. The escaping visitor however got away with the coin which amounted to a little over a hundred dollars.

Needle In Foot Nearly 5 Months

A piece of darning needle an inch long, which has been in Mrs. W. T. Gacer's foot since the first of September, came to the surface of its own accord Wednesday shortly after noon, and was easily pulled out. A strange fact is that the point of the needle that entered the foot was first to come out, and the place it came out was within a fraction of an inch of the place it entered. At times Mrs. Greer suffered intense pain while the piece of needle was in her foot.—Appeal.

Was Born Near Paris.

Ora W. Boatman, 40 years old died Wednesday at the State Hospital at Fulton after a long illness. He had been at the hospital for the last two months for treatment. Mr. Boatman, whose home was at Mexico, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Boatman of that city and was born near Paris.

Avail yourself of the opportunity. Buy an overcoat at cut price while we are cleaning up on odds and ends. Hanly & Green.

Their Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Saunders, two of Hunnewell's oldest citizens, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Wednesday. They were married in Quincy January 10, 1877, and have spent the greater part of their married life in the vicinity of Hunnewell.

Marion County's Oldest Citizen

Mrs. John Shannon, age 88 years, who died at her home in Palmyra last week, was probably the oldest resident in Marion County, having lived at Palmyra since she was five years of age.

85 Steel Bridges in 2 Years

W. B. Todd, highway engineer of Shelby County, in his report to the county court of that county last week, stated that 85 steel bridges had been purchased by the county in the past two years, at an average cost of \$115.92 each. All bridges have been erected with the exception of about 25, most of which have been unloaded from cars and delivered to sites.

State in Debt 11-2 Million.

Jefferson City, Jan. 3.—In a letter to Col. Fred D. Gardner of St. Louis, State Auditor Gordon estimates the various deficiencies in the revenue fund at \$1,152,458.90. He says that these figures represent bills now on file in his office, which the state has not had enough money in the revenue fund to pay. He then goes on to show that there are deficiencies which the new legislature must meet, aggregating \$393,780, such as pensions due to the Confederate veterans, money for the payment of infected cattle killed to prevent the spread of contagious diseases, etc. He also says there are doubtless items outstanding that are not included, which would bring the total deficiencies up to more than 1 1-2 million dollars.—Appeal.

Snake Active in January.

A snake measuring 3 1-2 feet long was run over by an automobile driven by J. C. Hines of Shelbyville, on Jan. 2 while it was attempting to cross the road. Mr. Hines brought the reptile to town in order to confirm his story, says the Herald.

Hips Coming Back.

Hips, which have been in the discard for several years, are coming back. Miss Dorothy Gerard a buyer arriving in New York from Paris, has brought word and proof of the return of the hips and tight skirts.

Pink and yellow shoes that sell for \$2 an inch will be features of America's first Shoe Fashion Show, which will be held at the Planters Hotel in St. Louis.

Good Sale Bills—Democrat Office.

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Hunnewell House Burns.

The two story house of Mrs. Bessie Carroll at Hunnewell was completely destroyed by fire Thursday night. The entire upper story was in flames and ready to fall before Mrs. Carroll discovered the fire. The alarm was given and a prompt response was made by the citizens but the blaze had gained such a headway all attempts proved futile. Very little furniture and clothing were saved.

Tricks In All Trades

Bloomfield Republican: Stealing hogs at night has never been a very popular form of crime in Iowa, for the reason that the thief has heretofore been unable to figure out any way of muffling the squeals of the porker. But enterprising stock raiders have solved the problem at last by chloroforming the hogs, and loading the bodies into wagons before the animals come out of their sleep. Thieves chloroformed eight fat hogs belonging to Ed Boelschner residing two miles east of Hawkeye and carried the animals from the hog house to a wagon in the road about 100 feet distant.

Celebrated 88th Birthday.

Uncle Isaac Greening and wife returned Monday from a visit with their son, Newt, at Hannibal. Uncle Ike had another birthday while away, the 88th for him. He was born near Lexington, Ky., and has lived in Monroe County for 81 years being the oldest surviving old-time Government stage driver.—Appeal.

Keytesville Boy Acquitted

Ben Little, of Keytesville, who was charged with having shot his father on August 7, 1914, was acquitted last week at Sedalia. He was tried two years ago in Chariton County and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Upon appeal to the supreme court the case was remanded for new trial. At the trial in Sedalia the father testified that the shooting was accidental and Little was acquitted.

McAllister To Jefferson City

Attorney-General and Mrs. F. W. McAllister and H. P. Ragland, who will be printing clerk in Gen. McAllister's office, left Sunday for Jefferson City. Miss Florence Moore, Mr. McAllister's stenographer, went to Jefferson City Wednesday.—Appeal.

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